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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing, please find the following documents:

- X Amendment (19 pgs) with attached pages from the Webster's Ninth New College Dictionary (4 pages), USPTO Patent Search results (2 pages) and the Dictionary of Microbiology and Molecular Biology (6 pages).
- X Return receipt postcard.

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Total Claims	59	- 59	0	x \$18.00	\$0
Independent Claims	5	- 5	0	x \$86.00	\$0
Multiple dependent claims not previously presented, add \$290.00					\$0
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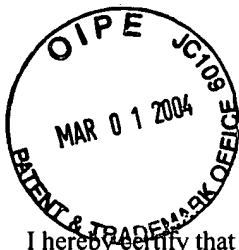
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AMENDMENT

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Sir:

This paper is responsive to the Office Action mailed on November 26, 2003, for which a response is initially due on or before February 26, 2004. Accordingly, this response is timely filed.

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 14 of this paper.